BEFORE THE ARIZONA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS

In the Matter of:

Li Min Yang,

Holder of License No. MT-18789 As a Massage Therapist in the State of Arizona,

Respondent.

Board Case No. 20-130

CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

In the interest of a prompt and judicious settlement of this case, consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements and the responsibilities of the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy ("Board") under A.R.S. § 32-4201, et. seq., Li Min Yang ("Respondent"), holder of Massage Therapist License Number MT-18789 in the State of Arizona, and the Board enter into the following Recitals, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement") as a final disposition of this matter.

RECITALS

Respondent understands and agrees that:

- 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and has had the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney or has waived the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney.
- 2. Respondent understands that she has a right to a public administrative hearing concerning this matter, and at this hearing, Respondent could present evidence and cross-examine witnesses. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Respondent knowingly and voluntarily relinquishes all right to such an administrative hearing, as well as rights of rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review, or any other administrative and/or judicial action concerning the matters set forth herein.

and returning this document to the Board's Executive Director, she may not revoke her acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been signed by the Executive Director. Respondent understands that the foregoing Consent Agreement shall not become effective until the Executive Director signs it on behalf of the Board. Any modification to this original document is ineffective and void unless approved by the Board.

3. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent Agreement

- 4. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement does not constitute a dismissal or resolution of other matters currently pending before the Board, if any, and does not constitute any waiver (express or implied) of the Board's statutory authority or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future investigation, action, or proceeding. Respondent also understands that acceptance of this Consent Agreement does not preclude any other agency, subdivision, or officer of this state from instituting other civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject of this Consent Agreement.
- 5. All admissions Respondent makes in this Consent Agreement are made solely for the final disposition of this matter, and any related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving the Board and Respondent. This Consent Agreement is not intended to be used for any other regulatory agency proceedings, or civil or criminal proceedings, whether in the State of Arizona or any other state or federal court, except related to the enforcement of the Consent Agreement itself.
- 6. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 7. Respondent shall assert no claim that the Board or its legal representative was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this document or any records relating thereto if this matter proceeds to a formal administrative hearing.

- 8. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement is a public record that may be disseminated as a formal action of the Board, and shall be reported as required by law to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank.
- 9. While Respondent neither admits nor denies the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, Respondent acknowledges that, should this matter proceed to hearing, the Board would be able to establish by a preponderance of the evidence that Respondent engaged in conduct which would subject her to discipline under the Board's statutes or rules. Therefore, Respondent has agreed to enter into this Consent Agreement as an economical and practical means of resolving this case.
- 10. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement may be used for purposes of determining sanctions in future disciplinary proceedings.
- 11. Respondent understands that any violation of this Consent Agreement may constitute a basis for discipline and is considered unprofessional conduct.
 - 12. The Board issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order:

Dated: 01-16-2020

ACCEPTED AND AGREED BY RESPONDENT

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Li Min Yang Respondent

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FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for licensing and regulating the practice of Massage Therapy in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Respondent is the holder of license number MT-18789 to practice as a Massage Therapist in the State of Arizona.
- 3. On December 16, 2019, Respondent pled guilty to two counts of Secure Proceeds of an Offense (CR2018-002945-001) in violation of A.R.S. §§ 13-2408, a class 6 undesignated felony, and was sentenced to supervised probation for three years that began 12/16/2019.
- 4. Respondent did not notify the Board of her arrest in CR2018-002945-001 within ten (10) business days as required in A.R.S. § 32-3208.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and Respondent pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-4201 *et seq*.
- 1. The Board may accept the surrender of a license from a person, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-4254(O)(2), who admits in writing to any of the following: (2) Having committed an act subject to discipline pursuant to this Chapter. (Citations Omitted).
- 2. The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 32-4253(A)(4)("Being convicted of a felony or other offense involving moral turpitude or any conviction for prostitution, solicitation or another similar offense. A conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction is conclusive evidence of the commission of the crime.").
- 3. The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitute grounds for discipline pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3208(A)("A health professional who has been charged with a misdemeanor involving conduct that may affect patient safety or a

1	felony after receiving or renewing a license or certificate must notify the health
2	professionals' regulatory board in writing within ten working days after the charge is
3	filed.").
4	ORDER
5	Based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the parties agree
6	that Respondent hereby VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERS License Number MT-18789
7	to practice as a Massage Therapist in the State of Arizona.
8	to practice as a massage Therapist in the State of Afrizona.
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10	DATED this 31st day of January, 2020.
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12	ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE
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17	By:Thomas Augherton
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21	ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this 31st day of January, 2020, with:
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